## Message

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**Sent**: 7/9/2020 7:39:08 PM

To: McNally, Robert [Mcnally.Robert@epa.gov]; Mendelsohn, Mike [Mendelsohn.Mike@epa.gov]

Subject: RE: Oxitec Status in Florida

I think that's a good idea – I can draft a note. I'll also add it to our general agenda for Monday. Anne

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From: McNally, Robert < Mcnally.Robert@epa.gov>

**Sent:** Thursday, July 09, 2020 12:00 PM

To: Mendelsohn, Mike <Mendelsohn.Mike@epa.gov>; Overstreet, Anne <overstreet.anne@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Oxitec Status in Florida

Sounds good. Maybe a short note from Anne to Ed to keep him in the loop?

From: Mendelsohn, Mike < Mendelsohn. Mike@epa.gov>

Sent: Thursday, July 09, 2020 10:36 AM

To: McNally, Robert < Mcnally.Robert@epa.gov>; Overstreet, Anne < overstreet.anne@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Oxitec Status in Florida

In my email, I asked her whether she had any updates she could share regarding Oxitec's EUP regarding the Mosquito Control Board's decision, public meetings and EPA participation. We had previously made verbal offers to help should FDACS want it. Her response provided a link to the livestream, but no request for help at the meeting. I think some of us should listen in.

From: McNally, Robert < Mcnally.Robert@epa.gov>

Sent: Thursday, July 09, 2020 10:23 AM

To: Mendelsohn, Mike < Mendelsohn. Mike@epa.gov >; Overstreet, Anne < overstreet.anne@epa.gov >

Cc: Bohnenblust, Eric <Bohnenblust.Eric@epa.gov>; Reynolds, Alan <Reynolds.Alan@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Oxitec Status in Florida

I think that is the correct path. So, you asked clearly if they needed us, and they did not respond?

## Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Mendelsohn, Mike < Mendelsohn. Mike@epa.gov>

Sent: Thursday, July 09, 2020 10:20 AM

To: McNally, Robert < Mcnally.Robert@epa.gov>; Overstreet, Anne < overstreet.anne@epa.gov>

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Subject: RE: Oxitec Status in Florida

The earliest they vote is at the July 21<sup>st</sup> board meeting, but it could be pushed to August. Since Amy didn't respond to my query re: EPA participation and this is now a local decision to which FDACS is in a supporting role, would it work for us now to wait to hear from FDACS whether they need more support? They do have our risk assessment and the power point from the briefing we gave them earlier.

From: McNally, Robert < Mcnally. Robert@epa.gov>

Sent: Thursday, July 09, 2020 9:45 AM

To: Mendelsohn, Mike < Mendelsohn. Mike@epa.gov >; Overstreet, Anne < overstreet.anne@epa.gov >

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Subject: RE: Oxitec Status in Florida

So do we know when post July 14<sup>th</sup> they will have a vote and be ready to release if a positive vote? What do they need from us? I would share with her that Oxitec wants us to play a role for the July 14<sup>th</sup> event –is this still true???

## Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

What do you all think?

Bob

From: Mendelsohn, Mike < Mendelsohn. Mike@epa.gov>

Sent: Thursday, July 09, 2020 9:41 AM

**To:** McNally, Robert < <a href="Mcnally.Robert@epa.gov">Mcnally.Robert@epa.gov">McC: Bohnenblust, Eric <a href="McNally.Robert@epa.gov">Bohnenblust, Eric <a href="McNally.Robert@epa.gov">McNally.Robert@epa.gov</a>>)</a>

Subject: Oxitec Status in Florida

Update from Amy on Oxitec. No vote yet. Oxitec is still going through the process with the mosquito control board and there is a public meeting on July  $14^{th}$  that is being livestreamed.

From: Brown, Amy < Amy. Brown@fdacs.gov>

Sent: Thursday, July 09, 2020 8:20 AM

To: Mendelsohn, Mike < Mendelsohn. Mike@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Oxitec

Good Morning Mike,

The Florida Keys had a board meeting/workshop on June 23<sup>rd</sup>, to allow Oxitec to present and answer questions from the commissioners.

They did allow for public input, but it was just to allow them to make a short speech to the commissioners, no questions and answers for them.

The Commissioners said there would be another meeting in July were the public can have questions and answers etc., prior to the vote that I will believe will be at the July 21<sup>st</sup> board meeting, but it could be pushed to the August meeting.

It looks like the public meeting is scheduled for July 14<sup>th</sup>. They do live stream the meetings if you are interested in watching.

The information for all the meetings are on their website. http://keysmosquito.org/board-meetings/

So in short no vote yet.

Thanks, Amy

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From: Mendelsohn, Mike < Mendelsohn. Mike@epa.gov >

**Sent:** Wednesday, July 8, 2020 9:22 AM **To:** Brown, Amy <<u>Amy.Brown@fdacs.gov</u>>

Subject: Oxitec

Amy,

I hope you all had a nice 4<sup>th</sup> of July. I'm just checking in whether you have any updates you could share with me regarding Oxitec's EUP regarding the Mosquito Control Board's decision, public meetings and EPA participation. Thanks.

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